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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Science and Technology

SUBJECT : Daily Activity Report - 16 August 1963

1. Mission Status

a. IDEALIST - The U-2 detachment at Edwards is in a stand-by status. The detachment has been alerted for a mission against the Central China Missile Test Range. Scheduled launch is

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b. BRASS KNOB - There was one SAC U-2 mission over Cuba on 15 August. Estimated 90% of targets were covered and there was no hostile reaction.

c. CORONA - The CORONA-J satellite remains scheduled for launch on 21 August.

2. Aircraft Status - OXCART

a. Aircraft #121 (J-58 engines) - This aircraft is having new engines installed with reinforced rigimesh engine liners. Liners on the last flight of this aircraft were found to be cracked during post-flight inspection.

b. Aircraft #122 (J-58 engines) - This aircraft is undergoing minor adjustment and addition of instrumentation. Next flight scheduled for 16 August for the purpose of inlet and engine stall investigations.

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c. Aircraft #124 (trainer) - Two flights were made by this aircraft on 15 August for a duration of 1:07 and 2:00 hours. The flights were training flights for operational pilots.

d. Aircraft #125 (J-58 engines) - This aircraft, scheduled and ready for a camera and inertial navigation system test flight, was not flown 15 August because of inclement weather over target sites. Next flight scheduled for 16 August.

e. Aircraft #126 (J-58 engines) - Initial pre-flight engine runs were made 15 August. Additional engine ground runs are scheduled for 16 August.

f. Aircraft #127 (J-58 engines) - This aircraft is grounded pending correction of a false fire warning signal encountered on the right hand engine #211. It appears that the trouble is loose connection in wiring and fittings.

g. Aircraft #128 (J-58 engines) - Aircraft in final assembly
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[Redacted]
Estimated ready for flight: 2 September.

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h. OXCART/KEDLOCK - The AF-12 Interceptor #1001 was not scheduled for flight on 15 August.

3. Other

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4. Special Group

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